

NUTRITION SERVICES DIVISION MANAGEMENT BULLETIN		No. 02-128
TO:	School Nutrition Program Sponsors	ISSUE DATE: July 2002
ATTENTION:	Food Service Director	
SUBJECT:	Food Service Management Company Contracts	
REFERENCE:	SNP Informational Memo 02-1 Dated July 2, 2002	

The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) is requesting input regarding areas of food service management company (FSMC) contract regulations that need clarification. The USDA, Office of Inspector General (OIG) recently audited FSMC contracts in schools. Based on their findings, OIG is requiring FNS to issue guidance to clarify specific issues regarding appropriate FSMC contract terms. Your suggestions on additional areas of clarification will assist USDA in providing the guidance sponsors need most. Although California public schools may not contract for the management of their food service operation we encourage all suggestions from public schools. Please share this information with any FSMC that your agency currently contracts with, or is aware of, so that they may also submit suggestions. Suggestions must be submitted no later than August 1, 2002, to:

Mr. Stanley C. Garnett, Director
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USDA Food and Nutrition Service
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3101 Park Center Drive
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You may also fax or email your suggestions to our office by July 30, 2002, and we will forward them to USDA. Our fax number is (916) 327-2753. Email suggestions to Rae Dalimonte at rdalimon@cde.ca.gov.

If appropriate, please share this information with your district/agency management and business personnel.

If you have any questions, please contact Rae Dalimonte at (916) 445-6775, (800) 952-5609, or rdalimon@cde.ca.gov.

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